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Application No.: 10/604,248
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REMARKS

Response to 35 U.S.C. 121

The Examiner issued a restriction requirement. According to the Office Action, there are patentably distinct inventions in the claimed invention and a restriction to one of these inventions in claims is required under 35 U.S.C. 121.

The Office Action pointed out that restriction to one of the following inventions is required:

- I. Claims 1-4, drawn to a noise suppressing method for switching on a flat panel display.
- II. Claims 5-7, drawn to a noise suppressing method for switching off a flat panel display.
- III. Claims 8-11, drawn to a noise suppressing method for switching on/off a flat panel display.

Inventions I, II and III are related as combination and sub-combination.

According to the inventions made by the Office Action, Applicant elects Invention I, specified in claims 1-4. In addition, Applicant also amends claim 1 and amends claim 8 to be a dependent claim of claim 1, such that claims 8-11 are dependent claims of claim 1. Currently, please withdraw claims 8-11, and claim 1 is a generic claim.

- In addition, please cancel claims 5-7 without prejudice, disclaimer or waiver. Applicant also reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the non-elected claims in a divisional application if Applicant so chooses.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, claims 1-4 remain pending in the application. Favorable consideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss the application.

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